

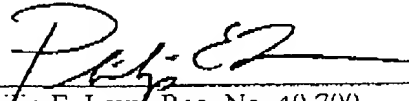
allowance. Applicants expressly note that these amendments are made without prejudice or disclaimer to cover a particular embodiment of the present invention. As discussed with the Examiner, Applicants intend to file a continuation application to pursue additional claims having different scope.

No fee and no extension of time are believed to be in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Amendment. If, however an extension of time is required, Applicants hereby petition for such an extension of time. Any fees that may be due may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0525. A duplicate of this sheet is attached. If a telephone conference would facilitate prosecution of this application in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

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